

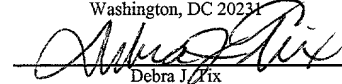
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Inventor(s) Murali Parthasarathy and Omid Sojoodi		Filed: March 4, 1997
Title: System and Method for Developing Automation Clients Using a Graphical Data Flow Program		Examiner: Chavis, J. Group/Art Unit: 2762 Assignee: National Instruments Corporation Recorded at Reel 8451, Frame 0806
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## Application Elements

1. ☒ Filing Fee

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2. ☒ Specification  
41 page(s) of specification; 9 page(s) of claims, 1 page(s) of abstract
3. ☒ Drawings  
Formal Figure(s) 1-34 on 31 sheet(s)
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration  
☐ Newly executed  
☒ Copy from a prior application (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))  
Deletion of Inventor(s) (in continuation or divisional applications):  
☐ Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior non-provisional application:  
  
☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a signed sheet attached hereto.
5. ☒ The entire disclosure of the prior application referred to above is considered to be part of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.
6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)  
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8. ☒ Assignment Papers
9. Power of Attorney  
☐ Is attached.  
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10. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
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11. Amendments  
☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.  
☐ Cancel in this application claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.  
☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: \_\_\_\_\_.
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13. Small Entity Status  
☐ A small entity statement is enclosed.  
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☐ Is no longer claimed.
14. ☐ Priority of foreign application number \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d)
15. ☐ Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 136 for Extension of Time
16. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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